

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

Please cancel claims 13-19, 21-23 and add claims 38-71. A complete listing of claims pending in the application following entry of this Amendment are presented as follows:

1-37. (Cancelled)

38. (New) A modular structure comprising:

- a frame formed from a plurality of frame portions; and
- a shell formed from a plurality of abutting armored panels,

each of the frame portions being secured to at least one of the panels to form discrete units, the units being joinable to form the modular structure, and the units being separable to disassemble the modular structure.

39. (New) The modular structure recited in claim 38, wherein the modular structure is joinable with another modular structure to form a larger modular structure.

40. (New) The modular structure recited in claim 38, further comprising seats secured within the modular structure.

41. (New) The modular structure recited in claim 40, wherein the seats are floor mounted helicopter seats having a four point harness.

42. (New) The modular structure recited in claim 38, wherein a portion of the armored panels are removable from an interior of the modular structure to form ports.

43. (New) The modular structure recited in claim 38, wherein the units are removable from the modular structure and joinable with another modular structure.

44. (New) The modular structure recited in claim 38, wherein the armored panel comprises a fiber-reinforced polymer.

45. (New) The modular structure recited in claim 44, wherein the fiber of the fiber-reinforced polymer is a para-aramid fiber.

46. (New) The modular structure recited in claim 38, wherein at least one of the units is hinged to form an entry point of the modular structure.

47. (New) The modular structure recited in claim 38, wherein at least one of the units is removable from the modular structure to form a port in a side portion of the modular structure.

48. (New) The modular structure recited in claim 38, wherein at least one of the units includes an attachment area for mounting weaponry.

49. (New) The modular structure recited in claim 38, wherein at least one of the units includes an attachment area for mounting a crane.

50. (New) The modular structure recited in claim 38, wherein the shell defines at least a portion of both an interior surface and an opposite exterior surface of the modular structure, and the frame is positioned adjacent one of the interior surface and the exterior surface of the modular structure.

51. (New) The modular structure recited in claim 38, wherein the units define a ceiling, a floor, and walls of the modular structure from the frame portions and the armored panels.

52. (New) A modular structure, comprising:

a frame formed from a plurality of frame portions; and

a shell formed from a plurality of abutting armored panels, wherein the frame and shell form an elongate shape with a first end area and an opposite second end area,

each of the frame portions being secured to at least one of the panels to form discrete units, the units being joinable to form the modular structure, and the units being separable to disassemble the modular structure, at least one of the units having a hinged configuration to form an entry point of the modular structure, the entry point forming an opening in the modular structure that

encompasses substantially all of the first end area.

53. (New) The modular structure recited in claim 52, wherein the modular structure is joinable with another modular structure to form a larger modular structure.

54. (New) The modular structure recited in claim 52, further comprising seats secured within the modular structure.

55. (New) The modular structure recited in claim 52, wherein the seats are floor mounted helicopter seats having a four point harness.

56. (New) The modular structure recited in claim 52, wherein a portion of the armored panels are removable from an interior of the modular structure to form ports.

57. (New) The modular structure recited in claim 52, wherein the units are removable from the modular structure and joinable with another modular structure.

58. (New) The modular structure recited in claim 52, wherein the armored panel comprises a fiber-reinforced polymer.

59. (New) The modular structure recited in claim 58, wherein the fiber of the fiber-reinforced polymer is a para-aramid fiber.

60. (New) The modular structure recited in claim 52, wherein at least one of the units is removable from the modular structure to form a port in a side portion of the modular structure.

61. (New) The modular structure recited in claim 52, wherein at least one of the units includes an attachment area for mounting at least one of weaponry and a crane.

62. (New) A modular structure having an elongate shape with a first end area, an opposite second end area, and a central area located between the first end area and the second end area,

the modular structure comprising:

a frame formed from a plurality of frame portions; and

a shell formed from a plurality of armored panels,

each of the frame portions being secured to at least one of the panels to form discrete units, the units being joinable to form the modular structure, and the units being separable to disassemble the modular structure, at least one of the units being located in the central area and having a configuration that extends entirely around the central area to define a portion of a ceiling, a floor, and walls of the modular structure.

63. (New) The modular structure recited in claim 62, wherein the modular structure is joinable with another modular structure to form a larger modular structure.

64. (New) The modular structure recited in claim 62, further comprising seats secured within the modular structure.

65. (New) The modular structure recited in claim 62, wherein a portion of the armored panels are removable from an interior of the modular structure to form ports.

66. (New) The modular structure recited in claim 62, wherein the units are removable from the modular structure and joinable with another modular structure.

67. (New) The modular structure recited in claim 62, wherein the armored panel comprises a fiber-reinforced polymer.

68. (New) The modular structure recited in claim 67, wherein the fiber of the fiber-reinforced polymer is a para-aramid fiber.

69. (New) The modular structure recited in claim 62, wherein the armored panels abut each other.

70. (New) The modular structure recited in claim 62, wherein at least one of the units is

removable from the modular structure to form a port in a side portion of the modular structure.

71. (New) The modular structure recited in claim 62, wherein at least one of the units includes an attachment area for mounting at least one of weaponry and a crane.

72 . (New) A modular structure, comprising:

a base;

at least three armored sides, connected to the base and substantially perpendicular to the base, wherein the at least three armored sides form at least a portion of both the interior surface and exterior surface;

an open end including a means for coupling, wherein the means for coupling mates with a corresponding portion of a means for coupling on a second modular structure; and

wherein the base, the at least three armored sides and the open end form a self-supporting structure.